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208 Church Street New Iberia, LA 70563 January 12, 2021

State of Louisiana Department of State Civil Service Louisiana Board of Ethics P.O. Box 4368 Baton Rouge, LA 70821

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Dequindra A. Ligon and I'm currently pursuing to open a new, private driving school in New Iberia, LA (in which I reside). I am an Assistant Principal for the St. Martin Parish School Board (at Breaux Bridge High School).

I'm requesting an advisory opinion from the Board of Ethics as to whether the code of Governmental Ethics would present a conflict of interest of me being a school administrator and becoming an owner/operator of a driving school to minor students.

I'm requesting advisory opinion from the Board of Ethics based off of the following information:

- I have been in education for thirty-one (31) years --- 24 years as a teacher in Iberia and St. Mary Parishes and 7 years as an administrator in St. Mary and St. Martin Parishes. *NOTE: Neither of the three school systems that I've worked for have I taught or have been affiliated with the drivers' education program
- My Assistant Principal duties, at Breaux Bridge High School, include serving as an instructional leader and supervisor of custodial staff:
 - Monitoring/supervising the implementation of professional development in the classrooms/meetings in accordance to the school improvement plan and the St. Martin Parish School Board
 - O Working with the Principal to plan professional development
 - Assigning and directing work, interviewing, evaluating performance, disciplining and resolving issues amongst teacher/staff
 - o Addressing building management concerns by working closely with the custodial staff by implementing school-wide safety and emergency protocols
- My driving school would be located in New Iberia, LA, but it is possible that students from my school (Breaux Bridge High School), as well as from St. Martin Parish and surrounding areas, could enroll and attend my driving school.

Thank you for your time and consideration to my request. I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

If you have any questions/concerns, please feel free to contact me at (337) 380-5791 (cell) or (337) 909-3603 (work). I can also be reached through email <u>dequindra@aol.com</u> (personal) or dequindra ligon@sintmartinschools.org (work).

Sincerely

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